wards and forwards, holding up their heads and turning out their toes, with ſhoulders braced back, inſtead of bounding, as nature directs to complete her own deſign, in the various attitudes ſo conducive to health*. The pure animal ſpirits, which make both mind and body ſhoot out, and unfold the tender bloſſoms of hope, are turned ſour, and vented in vain wiſhes, or pert repinings, that contract the faculties and ſpoil the temper; elſe they mount to the brain, and ſharpening the underſtanding before it gains proportionable ſtrength, produce that pitiful cunning which

* I remember a circumſtance that once came under my own obſervation, and raiſed my indignation. I went to viſit a little boy at a ſchool where young children were prepared for a larger one. The maſter took me into the ſchool-room, &c. but whilſt I walked down a broad gravel walk, I could not help obſerving that the graſs grew very luxuriantly on each ſide of me. I immediately aſked the child ſome queſtions, and found that the poor boys were not allowed to ſtir off the walk, and that the maſter ſometimes permitted ſheep to be turned in to crop the untrodden graſs. The tyrant of this domain uſed to ſit by a window that overlooked the priſon yard, and one nook turning from it, where the unfortunate babes could ſport freely, he encloſed, and planted it with potatoes. The wife likewiſe was equally anxious to keep the children in order, leſt they ſhould dirty or tear their clothes.

diſgracefully characterizes the female mind—and I fear will ever characterize it whilſt women remain the ſlaves of power!

The little reſpect which the male world pay to chaſtity is, I am perſuaded, the grand ſource of many of the phyſical and moral evils that torment mankind, as well as of the vices and follies that degrade and deſtroy women; yet at ſchool, boys infallibly loſe that decent baſhfulneſs, which might have ripened into modeſty, at home.

And what naſty indecent tricks do they alſo learn from each other, when a number of them pig together in the ſame bedchamber, not to ſpeak of the vices, which render the body weak, whilſt they effectually prevent the acquiſition of any delicacy of mind. The little attention paid to the cultivation of modeſty, amongſt men, produces great depravity in all the relationſhips of ſociety; for, not only love—love that ought to purify the heart, and firſt call forth all the youthful powers, to prepare the man to diſcharge the benevolent duties of life, is ſacrificed to premature luſt; but, all the ſocial affections are deadened by the ſelfiſh gratifications, which very early pollute the mind, and dry up the